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DIARY NOTES

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1. Jim Garrison advised me that the Department of Defense is making a number of changes in the Armed Services Procurement Regulations and that he has constituted a committee to study these changes in greater detail. He intends to adopt these changes in our procedures to the greatest extent possible. I told him that I would like a briefing on this as soon as he has studied the changes more carefully.

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2. [REDACTED] telephoned to say that in the light of the re-examination of our budget submission they felt obliged to withdraw [REDACTED] from the Civil Service Commission Seminar in Kings Point, New York, beginning 7 October. (We are substituting [REDACTED])

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3. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning, the Director reported that he had gone to the Bureau of the Budget yesterday to talk with the Director, Kermit Gordon. Participating in the meeting, which lasted more than an hour, were [REDACTED]. The Director said that the Bureau of the Budget has arrived at the conclusion that the President's tax bill is not going to pass without assurance that the Fiscal Year 1965 budget will be held at the level which Congress thinks appropriate. Furthermore, if and when the tax bill does pass, the increased revenue which it is expected to generate will not be felt until Fiscal Year 1967. Hence, the budget squeeze is going to be on in Fiscal Years 1965 and 1966. The Director said that the Bureau of the Budget officials were aghast at CIA's position that we could not live with a year-end personnel figure of [REDACTED]. He said that a good part of our increase grew out of implementation of the Orrick plan. Bureau of the Budget officials said they had not approved the Orrick plan and did not go along with it. They said they knew something about the Defense Communications Agency and the National Communications System and expected to get a first crack at General Starbird's plans sometime in the near future. The Director said that he wanted our communications setup and plans reviewed immediately and in detail to determine what we are doing for ourselves and what we are doing for others as a result of such things as the Orrick Committee, the National Communications System, etc. (I had discussed this with [REDACTED] the study was under way.) The Director also said that the Bureau of the Budget considered our reply to their request that he do something about the gold outflow to be completely unresponsive.

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25X1A9a 4. Following the Executive Committee Meeting, I talked with Emmett Echols and [REDACTED] passing on to them the substance of the Director's comments concerning personnel ceilings and asked them to give me a "fact sheet" as early as possible tomorrow morning on what this means to our recruiting program. (This was delivered to me on Tuesday morning, 2 October, and was discussed at a special meeting of the Deputy Directors at which General Carter presided. At that meeting, however, it was decided that we should go ahead and recruit up to the level provided for in our Fiscal Year 1964 budget.)

25X9A2 5. Emmett Echols reported that we have inadvertently hired an ex-[REDACTED] employee. He apparently was on [REDACTED] rolls and was converted to either staff agent or staff employee status. (I have asked Emmett to get all the facts on this without delay.) 25X1C4c

6. I talked to Jim Garrison about our recruitment brochure and re-emphasized that I would like to have this done in our own printing plant, not at the Government Printing Office.

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25X1A9a 7. I chatted with [REDACTED] on the telephone. He seems to be in good spirits. (Dr. Tietjen has responded separately, however, that it will probably be several months before Bob can return to duty even on a part-time basis.)

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